

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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MAGI # 030068955

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

## 1 NAME

HISTORIC LUTHERVILLE STATION

*(Northern Central RR)*

AND/OR COMMON

## 2 LOCATION

STREET &amp; NUMBER

1601 Lutherville-Riderwood Drive

CITY, TOWN

Lutherville

VICINITY OF

2nd CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

3rd Councilmanic District

STATE

Maryland 21093

COUNTY

Baltimore County

## 3 CLASSIFICATION

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER

## 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Rev. and Mrs. Barrett R. Rudd

Telephone #: 252-8850

STREET &amp; NUMBER

1601 Lutherville-Riderwood Drive

CITY, TOWN

Lutherville

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21093

## 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. County Courts Building

Liber #: EHK JR. 5922

Folio #: 381

STREET &amp; NUMBER

401 Bosley Avenue, Room 406

CITY, TOWN

Towson

STATE

Maryland 21204

## 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Baltimore County Historic Sites Inventory  
Maryland Historic Trust

MHT No. BA 68

*colored 7/29/65*

DATE

On-going since 1964

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

21 State Circle

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

*on National Register in Lutherville Historic District*

# DESCRIPTION

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## CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

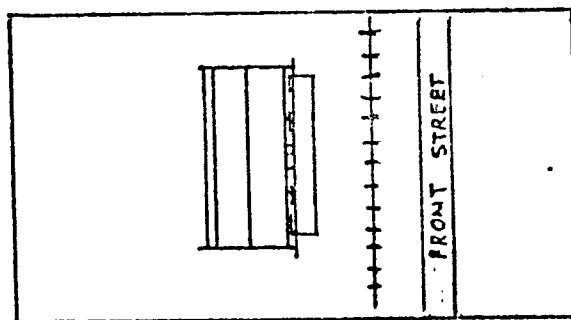
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

by Rodd L. Wheaton (1971)

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CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1873

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Thos. Dixon, arch. (?)

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Lutherville Station is at least the second structure on the site. In the Baltimore County Advocate of April 6, 1861, there was a news item:

A fine spacious station house  
has been erected at Lutherville  
by John R. Cockey, Esq., for the  
use of the N. Central R.R. A  
portion of it is occupied by Mr.  
Jacob D. Smith as a store ....

Smith was both storekeeper and ticket agent. This station was probably not suitable for a thriving college town like Lutherville (founded 1852), and in 1873, John G. / Graff / Cockey and his wife Mary A. E. Cockey made a lease to the Northern Central Railway and agreed "to erect a building suitable for a Passenger Station of such plan as shall be approved of by the President of said Company." The arrangement permitted Cockey to operate a "store room" on the first floor and to have a dwelling on the second floor. The lease prohibited the sale of malt or spirituous liquors on the premises. The contract was signed on May 13 of 1873 and recorded on June 27. The tract was west of the main line, 400 feet parallel to the tracks and 50 feet deep. (1)

Rodd L. Wheaton credited the design of the station to Thomas Dixon, architect of the Baltimore County Courthouse and Baltimore City Jail, but there is no documentary evidence for this statement, nor for dates ranging from 1853 to 1890s, nor for stories of a fire.

The station appears in the inset map of Lutherville in the 1877 G. M. Hopkins atlas. The station was just south of Morris Avenue. John G. Cockey lived two blocks north in a large tract between Melancton and Spring Avenues. In the atlas patron list, he gave his occupation as "Resident" and gave his nativity as 1829 in Baltimore County. His own house has subsequently vanished but his Greek Revival springhouse remains.

In 1886, Cockey and wife sold the station property to the Northern Central for \$6,000 and the railway company retained it until 1978. (2) The Sun of January 4, 1930 reported a shooting at the station by Alonzo Price. Passenger service was discontinued in 1959.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Rodd L. Wheaton, National Register Form (one-page format),  
Lutherville Station, 1971.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Begin on west limit of right-of-way, 900 feet north of county road.  
Thence 50 feet west; 400 feet southerly parallel to right-of-way.  
Thence 50 feet east; thence along right-of-way to beginning.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE None

COUNTY None

STATE

COUNTY

**FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

John W. McGrain

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning and Zoning

STREET & NUMBER

401 Bosley Avenue

CITY OR TOWN

Towson

DATE

August 1978

TELEPHONE

494-3495

STATE

Maryland 21204

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

1. STATE Maryland  
 COUNTY Baltimore  
 TOWN Lutherville VICINITY  
 STREET NO. Front Avenue at Morris Avenue

ORIGINAL OWNER Pennsylvania R.R.  
 ORIGINAL USE Station  
 PRESENT OWNER same  
 PRESENT USE  
 WALL CONSTRUCTION stone  
 NO. OF STORIES 1½

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY  
INVENTORY

2. NAME Lutherville Station of the  
 Northern Central Branch of the Penna.  
 DATE OR PERIOD 1853 R.R.  
 STYLE utilitarian  
 ARCHITECT Thomas Dixon  
 BUILDER John Graff Cockey

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

## 4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION

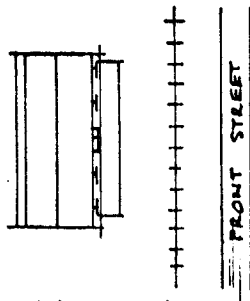
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## 5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered



## 6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)  
 INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

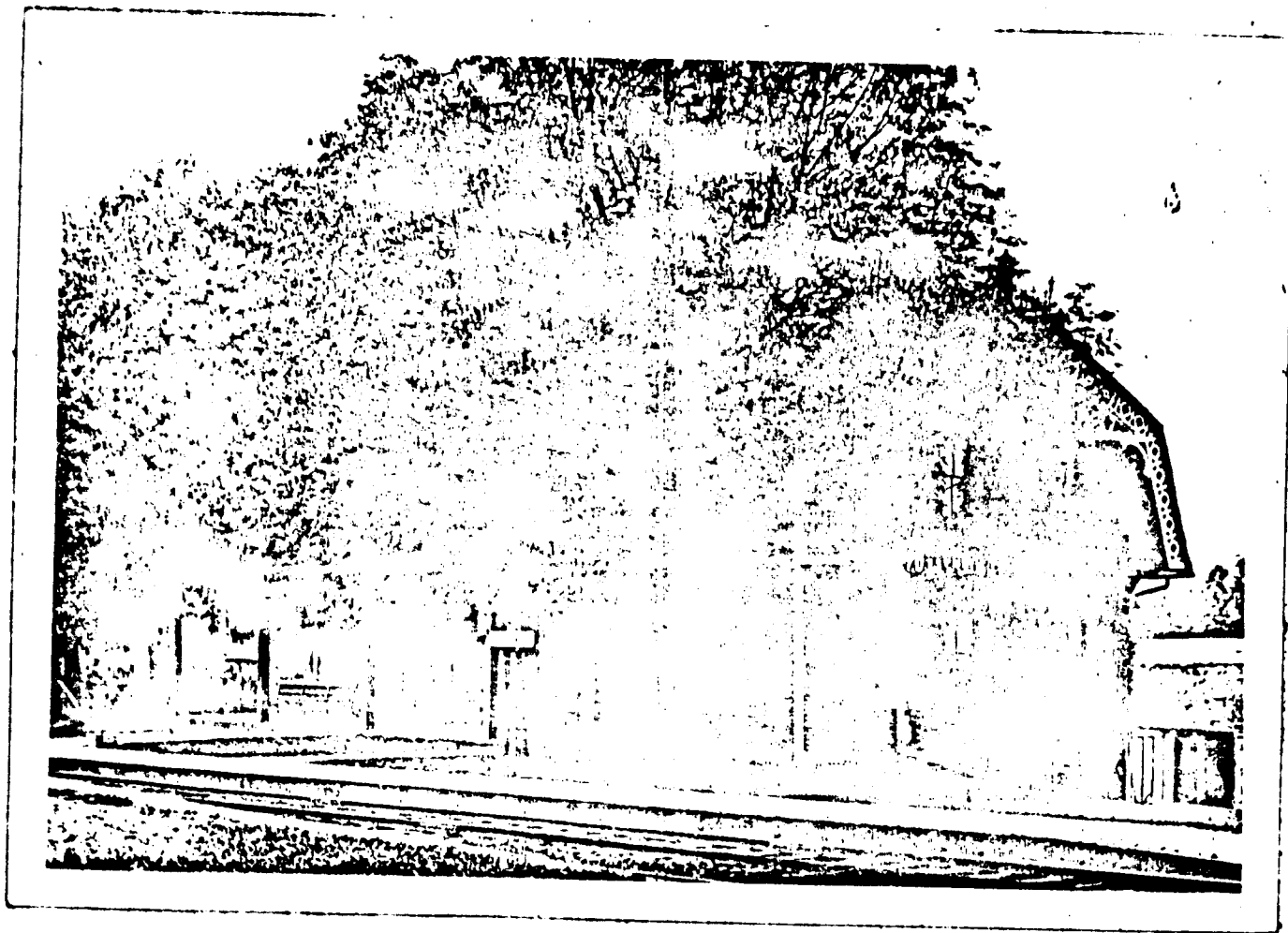


Rodd L. Wheaton

Sept. 1971

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Finally it is to be noted that this station is a very early train depot and may prove to be historically significant.



An old view of the Lutherville Station circa 1915.



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Lutherville Station

Lutherville R.P. (SA-2211)

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TRACKSIDE VIEW OF LUTHERVILLE STATION  
VIEW TO SOUTHWEST.